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## CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

[Young People's Weekly.]

Topic, Oct. 23: Go or Send.—Acts 16: 1-10. (A Missionary Topic.)

There is one sense in which the alternative suggested by our topic is not offered to a Christian. In our own experience, at least, nothing can quite take the place of personal work for those to whom our Lord has sent us. We may not be called to go across the sea to lands which were heathen in superstition before Christ was born. We may not be required to seek out those newly settled regions where the saloon got the start of the church and has always kept it, nor to work in the slums of great cities. But there are certain to be some of His little ones to whom we can go with the good tidings of great joy.

Generally speaking, however, we use the term with reference to missionary work as distinguished from the work of the church at home. In three words it states the responsibility of every Christian, young or old, for accomplishing the greatest work of this or any age. We need to realize that Christ-like charity may begin at home, but that it reaches to the uttermost parts of the earth. When we narrow our interest to our home, our church or our town, we are making the same mistake as if we limited it to ourselves.

There is an especial reason why the closing years of this century should be the fullest of missionary activity of any that the world has ever known. Events undreamed of a year ago have opened new quarters of the globe to the entrance of education and Christianity. A few months ago we thought of the Philippines as some irregular speck on the map, and as regarded their location, our ideas were the vaguest. Now we know something of their size and resources; we know of their millions of population. We have been stirred with indignation by the cruelty and oppression shown toward these people, and the efforts made to keep them in ignorance. As was natural, there was not so much vagueness in our ideas of Cuba and Puerto Rico, and yet within the last few months there has come to us a fresh realization that these beautiful islands are suffering for the Gospel, as well as from centuries of misrule.

God's plans reach far beyond our human projects. The United States government entered upon war with Spain to free from unendurable suffering an oppressed people. But along the path, blazed by war enlightenment, civilization and Christianity will come to millions of God's desolate children. So far God has used human agency in carrying out his plans, and he will continue to do so. The future of the Philippines and the Antilles depends on the readiness with which the Christians of America meet their obligation to "go or send." Churches and schools, teachers and helpers will be called for. We shall need to fight against the influence of centuries of suffering and superstition.

In our war with Spain we needed both men and money, and both were given ungrudgingly. In the greater opportunity now open to us, of saving a nation for Christ, we still need money and men. The loyalty of the past few months carried on into this new work will do much toward reclaiming these islands of the sea to the service of God.



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## GEORGE CLEMENT'S WIFE.

A CITY WOMAN'S LITTLE RUSE.

"Of all things this is the worst! If I ever in all my life expect to hear such news! Why, our George has gone and got married. Dye hear?"

Good Mrs. Clements pushed her steel-bowed spectacles off her bright eyes, and dropped her letter in her lap as she turned round to her husband, the stout, clever old farmer who was contentedly stroking the old white cat.

"Deacon, dye hear?"

This time when she asked the question there was a touch of sharpness in her voice.

"Yes; what if he is married? I'm sure it's natural enough. It kind o' runs in the family, 'pears to me."

But Mrs. Clements would take no notice of the little pleasantry.

"Well, if you like it, I can tell you I don't. He needn't think he's coming here with his fine city-bred lady, all airs and graces and flounces and fluffed ruffles. There's plenty of good girls hereabout that wanted him. Right in the middle of work, too! To talk of bringing a lady here in hog-killin' time! I do declare, I think George is a fool!"

A graceful, dainty little lady, in a garnet poplin and ruffled apron, with a short dusky curls, and a pair of blue eyes so wistful and tender, a tiny rosy bud of a mouth, and a dimple in one pink cheek.

That was Mrs. Marion Clements. Was it any wonder that George had fallen in love with her?

She sat in the bright little parlor, close behind the lace-curtained window, watching for the loved husband's return; and then, when she heard the click of the latch-key in the hall, flew for the welcome kiss.

"Haven't you the letter this time, George? I've felt sure of it all day. Indeed, I've quite decided what dress to take with me."

He smiled and shook his head.

A cloud passed over her pretty face.

"Oh, George, isn't it too bad! And I do believe they won't write because they are sorry you married me."

He puts his arms around her neck.

"And supposing such to be the case, do you think it would make any difference to me?"

"Oh, no, no! only it would grieve me so if I knew I had alienated your own parents from you."

"And a one-sided alienation it would be, too. They have never seen you, and when they know you, they can't help loving you."

"Oh, George!"

And the exclamation was caused by the kiss accompanying his loving flattery.

"That's true as preaching. By the way, my dear, what would you say if the firm sent me off on a travelling tour of six weeks?"

A little dismay cry answered him.

"You won't stay here alone, eh? But Marion, it would be five hundred dollars clear gain to us."

"What need we care for money? I'd rather have you."

A mischievous smile played on the young man's lips; he was more matter-of-fact than this romantic, tender little wife of his.

"I think the addition to our balance at the banker's would be very consoling for the absence. But never mind, little pet. Let's go down to dinner. I hope we'll get a letter from home soon."

And soon it was; for Marion snatched it from his coat pocket the very next night. But her husband's face looked very grave and stern, and his eyes looked angry when she looked gleefully over the envelope.

"My dear, you must remember I care very little for what the letter contains. Remember I did not write it; that you are dearer to me than ever before. Kiss me first while I watch you."

A little pang of misgiving troubled her when she glanced over the note then tears stole from under her lashes, and George saw her tender mouth quiver and tremble; then when she had finished it, she laid her head down on his shoulder and cried.

"It was cruel to let you see it, my wounded birdie. Let me burn it. And don't forget, darling, what our Bible says—that a man shall leave father and mother, and cleave to his wife, Marion, and to you I turn for all the happiness my life will ever hold."

She dried her tears and talked it over.

"Just because I am city-bred and thinks I am lazy and haughty, and dainty, and—"

"Never mind, Marion. She will find out some day. My father—"

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"Yes, bless the dear old man! He has added, 'My love to my daughter Marion.' Oh, I know I should love him, and your mother, too, if she would let me."

"We will invite them down when I come home. By the way, Marion, I will stop at the farm on my way home and invite them down, and bring them home with me."

"George, dear, I have been thinking about a trip to the West. I think you had better go and leave me at home. It won't be so very long."

Marion was eating her egg while she spoke across the cosy little tete-a-tete table.

"Spoken like my true little Marion, and when I come back I'll bring you a present. What will it be?"

"Your father and mother from the farm. It shall be that hope that will bear me company when you are gone."

A fortnight after, Marion Clements ate breakfast alone, the traces of a tear or so on her pink cheek; then she dashed them away, with a merry joyous laugh.

"This will never do, and now that George has gone for six weeks, to prepare for his return. And I pray Heaven it shall be such a coming as shall delight the very soul."

"I'm sure I don't know what to say. The lands knows I need help bad enough, but it 'pears to me such a slender little midget as you couldn't earn your salt. What did you say your name was?"

"Mary Smith. And indeed, if you will try me for a week, I am sure you will keep me till the season's over."

Mrs. Clements looked out of the window at the great clouds that were piling gloomily up; and then the wind gave a great wailing shriek around the house.

"You can cook, ken you? or shake up beds—good big ones, forty pounders!"

A gleeful little laugh came from Mary's lips.

"Indeed I can. I may not cook to suit you, but I can learn."

Mrs. Clements walked out to the huge open fireplace in the kitchen, where the deacon was shelling corn.

"What dye say, deacon—keep her or not? I kin o' like her looks, and the dear knows it 'ud be a good life while we are killin', if she couldn't do more'n set the table or make up mush for the bread."

"Take her of course, Hannah. You are hard driven, I know. Let her stop a week or so, anyhow."

So Mrs. Clements came slowly back and sat down again.

"You can't get away to-night, anyhow; there's a snowstorm been brewin' these three days, and it's on us now sure enough. See them 'ere flakes, fine and thick. You may as well take your things up stairs to the west garret, and then come down and help me to get supper."

Then followed directions to the west garret, and when she had gone Mrs. Clements turned to the deacon.

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after the meal she gathered the dishes in a neat, silent way that was perfect bliss to Mrs. Clement's ears.

"She's determined to earn her bread, anyhow, and I like her turn too."

And the deacon had "taken a shine" to Mary Smith. One by one the days wore on, the hog-killing was over and done, long strings of sausages hung in fantastic rings, arranged by Mary's deft fingers, sweet hams and shoulders were piled away in true housewifery manner, and now Mary and Mrs. Clements were sitting in the sunny dining-room, darning, patching, and mending.

"I don't know what I am going to do without you, Mary, I dread to see you pack up your clothes."

A blush of pleasure overspread Mary's face.

"I am so glad you have been suited with my work. Indeed, I have tried."

"It ain't the work altogether, though goodness knows you're the smartest girl I've seen this many a day. As I say, it ain't the work, it's you, Mary. I've got to thinking a heap of you—me and the deacon."

Mary's hand trembled at the kindness of the old lady's voice, but she sewed rapidly on.

"It's so uncommon lonesome since the boy left the farm, but it's worse since he got married. It seems like deserting us altogether."

"Have you a son? You never mentioned him."

"No, George has gone his way and we must go ours. Yes, he married one of those crackheaded boarding school people who can't tell the difference between a rolling-pin and a milk-pail."

But, despite her scorn, Mrs. Clements dashed off the tears with her brown fist.

"Is his wife pretty? I suppose you love her dearly?"

"I don't know anything about her and never want to know. He's left us for her, and our old folks will leave him for her, too. Mary, just turn them cakes around, seems as if they're burnin'."

When Mary had turned the cakes, Mrs. Clements was leaning on the arm of her chair.

"Mary, suppose you stop on with us another month yet, anyhow. The deacon will make it all right."

"It isn't the money I care for Mrs. Clements, I only wish I might stay always. You don't know how much I love you."

"Love us! do you? Bless your heart! If poor George had only picked you out, what a comfort it would be to us. But it can't be helped now."

She sighed wearily, then glanced out of the window, looked a moment, and then threw down her work.

"Bless my soul, if there ain't our son George coming down the lane! Deacon, George is coming."

And all her mother-love rushing to her heart, she hurried out to meet him. Oh, the welcoming, the reproaches, the caresses, the determination to love him still, despite poor Marion, the recent little Marion. Then when the table had been set in the next room by Mary's deft fingers, and she had returned to her "west garret," Mrs. Clements opened her heart. There's no use talkin', George, this fine, fancy lady o' yours'll never suit me. Give me a smart girl like Mary Smith, and I'll ask no more. Come in to supper now, Mary! Mary!

She raised her voice to call the girl when a low voice near surprised her.

"Oh, you dressed up in honor o' my boy. Well, I must confess I never knew you had such a handsome dress, and you look like a picture with your net off, and them short bobbin' curls. George this is Mary Smith, my—"

George came through the door and glanced carelessly at the corner where the young woman stood. Then with a cry sprang with outstretched arms to meet the little figure that sprang into them. The deacon and Mrs. Clements stood in speechless amazement. Then, Marion, all blushes and, tearful smiles, went over to the old pair and took their hands.

"I am George's wife. I was so afraid you would never love me, so I came determined to win you if I could. Mother, father, may I be your daughter?"

And a happier family, when they had exhausted their powers of surprise, amazement and pride in the beautiful Marion, never gave thanks over a supper table.

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